

Honolulu Star-Bulletin

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HONOLULU'S IMPROVEMENT LIMIT.

Just another word on this public improvement program for the city and county of Honolulu.

The public is informed that there is a limit to the amount of work that can be done. The labor is not available.

In the opinion of this paper the limit to the amount of work that can be done is the amount of work that needs to be done, to place this city in the front rank, or at least up to date with the development of events of which Honolulu is the center.

Men who have amounted to anything, cities and organizations that are put down as worth while in this country, are the men and the cities and the organizations that have done things never done before.

Do you not know that rats are the product of running around in the same old grooves every day with the same old wagon wheels and the same old limitations of energy and ambition?

Do you think the Panama Canal would have been built if the prevailing opinion had been that there is a limit to what we can do? Men and machinery were brought into action that did work in quantity, quality and speed—that had never been done before.

Make no mistake, fellow citizens. Honolulu is in the position where it must "catch up." It must know no limit and accept no limit of energy and performance, if it is to keep in line with and be ready for its opportunities and responsibilities.

KEEP COOL, FRIENDS.

If the raising of funds for public improvements in this city is to be accomplished in a businesslike manner, and actually arrive at a given point, the discussion must go forward reasonably free from a name calling contest.

Differences of opinion on whether the development work by raising the cash immediately or extending the payment over a long period through a loan, are quite legitimate—in business circles. Only the hot heads and the near sighted fellows call their associates names or impugn their motives when discussing the subject of cash or loan—in a business organization.

Consequently it seems the part of good sense to keep reasonably cool when talking of the proposed bond issue.

One of the greatest needs of situation in Honolulu is wider interest and more exact information regarding our public affairs. And to that end the more general, intelligent discussion and presentation of facts, the public can secure, the better for all concerned.

Keep cool, friends. Work for the upbuilding of the city, and the promotion of mutual understanding. Refrain from uttering the petty things that may naturally arise from personal enthusiasm over one's personal ideas.

PERHAPS NEW YORK COULD LEARN.

It may be that the solution of the infantile paralysis epidemic problem will be found in a campaign for just plain cleanliness and ordinary rules of sanitation.

Residents of the tropics or semi-tropics, where pest holes have been redeemed by simply giving the place a cleaning and keeping it clean, are often surprised at the lack of cleanliness in the large cities—and small ones for that matter. People of the temperate zone depend on frosts to kill the summer microbes and sunshine to wipe out the microbes that stalk in the noonday of winter. Drainage, attention to sink holes and house fly breeding spots receive little more than perfunctory consideration.

Though it may be a layman's dream, it is a fair guess that the best thing for New York today in handling infantile paralysis would be from one to ten regiments of sanitation workers enlisted from Americans who have lived and served in Hawaii, the Philippines, and Panama Canal zone. Turn these officers and men loose in the city of New York

armed with police power, garbage carts and odorless excavators. Do this and we believe the city of New York would not only be freed from more than one epidemic, but also be thoroughly clean for the first time in its huge life.

Honolulu will deeply regret confirmation of the report that Postmaster Young will not return to his post. Mr. Young set a mark for the office of postmaster that should be the standard of his successor and future generations. He minded his own business—which is the public's business—and gave his undivided attention to making the service of his department of the highest possible efficiency. He avoided petty politics. He did the sound politics of giving the people service. Mr. Young is a first class "exhibit A" in the proof submitted that Honolulu has no ingrained prejudice against the malihini when the newcomer minds his business and endeavors to make himself a valuable and useful member of the community.

Honolulu has increased its comforts and no doubt its public health by measures that reduced the mosquito pest. If this city were to have a clean-up day in the near future, it might thereby reduce the house fly breeding centers and make protection more secure against infantile paralysis or cholera or a number of other unpleasantnesses that are taking lives in communities on either side of us.

To read the decision of the supreme court in the Peterson case, the affair would appear to be a sample of how injustice can be wrought through the courts all on account of greater enthusiasm for prosecution than to see that the scales are evenly balanced.

Paid publicity is the powerful weapon the railroad managers of the country have brought into action that the people may know what their side of the controversy looks like.

Announcement of another tremendous loan to the Allies causes hardly a ripple. It is becoming the regular event. Undoubtedly an equal amount of money is going out to the Teutons through less advertised channels.

Our present hope of more battleships in the Pacific must be in the prospect of the navy being so large that our friends of the Atlantic ports can't hold all the ships. Apparently this is the only basis on which they will consent to give them up.

Delays in the parley may be unpleasant to Mr. Carranza. In the meantime the boys on the border are getting into condition so they will know how to fight to advantage, if called upon.

Honolulu is growing every day. Take your own measure once in a while and figure out whether you are growing with it or shriveling with the rapidly forgotten past.

Prof. Bryan during the coming campaign will give us an exhibition of which is easier to handle, politicians or crustaceans of the silurian age—or something like that.

Trust some of our European friends to devote a share of their undivided attention to raising a rumpus over the sale of the Danish West Indies.

It is said that two-thirds of the world's correspondence is in the English language. Yes, and President Wilson wrote most of it.—Detroit Free Press.

Of one result you may always be sure at the end of each day's activity in the war zones. Good lives have been sacrificed.

President Wilson is bound to have the whole thing thoroughly talked over, so the people may know just what it is all about.

Don't sing yourself to sleep with the comforting thought that Honolulu reads are pretty good after all. They are not.

LITTLE INTERVIEWS

—LIEUT. COL. R. R. RAYMOND, U. S. Engineer Officer: I am now getting accustomed to being called colonel instead of major, although my new commission has not yet arrived.

—LEWIS E. ARNOLD, superintendent Hawaiian Pineapple Company: Do we like the pineapple smell? Well, I don't know. Most people like it but we've been here so long we can't tell whether we smell it or not. We're saturated.

—GOVERNOR L. E. PINKHAM: I shall not write the secretary of the navy requesting that a new United States war vessel be named after Hawaii. I will leave that to Honolulu's commercial and promotion organizations, they having more time than I possess.

—ARTHUR G. SMITH, deputy attorney-general: Alaska is more prosperous than in years. The present big demand for copper has resulted in opening mines which had been closed many years and new mines have also been developed. My visit there during my vacation showed me that very

plainly. Gold mining is also active.

—WALLACE W. BLAISDELL, assistant and acting fire chief: We have not had a good fire for so long that we're all primed for the race. I'll bet we could put one out now before it ever started. However, I hope we don't get one before Chief Thurston comes back. It would be too bad to have all the excitement while he was away.

—JAMES D. DOLE, president Hawaiian Pineapple Company: On the strike question I suppose my guess is just as good as any one's. The mass of people in the United States do not believe possible such a tremendous upheaval of the country's carriers; neither did they believe in their wildest fancies that England and Germany would ever fight, to say nothing about the world war now in progress. Some of the most unexpected things may happen and the railroad strike might be one of them.

—J. K. BUTLER, traffic manager, Oahu Railway: I do not want to be classed as a pessimist but I believe the railway strike which is threatened on the mainland will not be settled by arbitration. The railroads have been taxed to the limit of their

endurance and the trainmen are determined to gain their demands. Although the approximately 25 per cent increase means an addition of about \$100,000,000 to the railway payrolls, that is not all. There are many other branches of railroad employees that are as much entitled to a salary raise as the trainmen.

—CARL B. STIEGER, Iowa attorney, visiting here: Among the many praises for Hawaii one hears several "kicks," but I have none to make. In fact, those things about which many object are the very attractions, novel in themselves, that I enjoy. The more modernized Honolulu becomes the less unique it will be. The rich people here, for their unassuming ways and far from worldly manners, are especially interesting. People in the states, with the same amount of capital, would erect a magnificent theater, a public hall or gymnasium and blazon their name in large captions across the face of it.

JOSE F. DURAO left in the Ventura for San Francisco to represent the Sociedade Portuguesa de Santo Antonio Beneficente de Hawaii on the Pacific coast. He expects to establish an office in Oakland. The Durao family will remain here temporarily.

2ND BATTALION OF GUARD WILL FIRE ON SUNDAY

Orders are out at National Guard headquarters for the 2nd Battalion, 1st Infantry, N. G. H., to hold rifle instruction practice Sunday on the new Punchbowl rifle-range just completed by the guard.

The same arrangements have been made as those of last Sunday when the 1st Battalion fired. The 2nd's four companies, E, F, G, H, will report at the armory and march to the range, leaving town in time to arrive by 8 o'clock in the morning. At noon a hot meal will be served the men.

In the near future orders will be issued attaching the 1st Separate Company of Engineers, commanded by Capt. Charles R. Forbes, superintendent of public works, to the 1st Infantry for rifle practice, and Field Company A, Signal Corps, commanded by Capt. R. L. Neagle, to the same regiment for pistol practice.

No rifle practice is required of the Coast Artillery companies, which do their practising with the 6-inch guns at Fort De Russy and the 5-inch guns at Fort Ruger.

NOVEL COSTUMES TO BE SEEN AT ARMORY MASK BALL SATURDAY

Spirited competition between contestants for the handsome prizes to be awarded at the National Guard mask ball in the armory tomorrow night is anticipated by the judges, to whom will fall the difficult task of deciding what costumes are most original.

The best costume worn by a girl will win a prize of a fine diamond ring, while the prize-winning man's costume will bring the wearer a handsome traveling set. The usual excellent Hawaiian music will be dispensed. Because of the valuable prizes should be the most novel and picturesque seen at any armory dance in many moons. The dances are for the benefit of the enlisted men's club-rooms fund, and are realizing good sums for that object.

PERSONALITIES

REV. MANUEL G. SANTOS left last night in the Mail for Kaula, where he will visit until September.

MR. AND MRS. R. B. ANDERSON expect to leave in the Niagara to visit for six weeks in the Canadian Rockies.

DARRELL MEEK, connected with the United States immigration offices, has gone to Kaula for a week on official business.

RUFUS W. ROBINSON of the Polk United Directory Company, left in the Ventura for San Francisco. He expects to return in November.

MRS. MELVILLE T. SIMONTON has been ill at her home for several days, but is improving rapidly and will be entirely recovered soon.

ROBERT A. McKEAGUE, head luna of the Honolulu Plantation Company at Aiea, left in the Ventura to spend his annual vacation on the mainland.

MISS KATE KELLEY, official reporter in the supreme court, has gone to Kaula to spend her vacation as the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Jackson S. Myers at Kilauea.

MRS. CHARLES J. FIEBIG has returned from a four months' visit in her former home at Grand Rapids, Mich. She was accompanied here by her mother, Mrs. Emily Nesbitt.

MRS. E. C. S. CRABBE, wife of Deputy Collector of U. S. Internal Revenue Crabbe of Hilo, is in Honolulu with her two children, enjoying a two weeks' visit with relatives here.

FRANK Q. CANNON, acting manager of the Honolulu Gas Company, will leave for the coast early in September to attend the Pacific Coast Gas Association convention at Santa Barbara.

DR. WILLIAM HENRY FRY, superintendent of the local Methodist missions, who for the last several months has been touring the mainland and delivering lectures on the islands, will return to Honolulu in the Matsonia on September 12.

Miss Alice Makalena and Gabriel Papaia, Jr., were married Wednesday night by Rev. Fr. Victorin in the Catholic Mission. Mrs. Julia Ramos and Charles Opanui were witnesses.

CAPT. VAN WAY WILL BE MANCHU BY NEXT MONTH

With his right arm in a sling as the result of injuries received when he was run down by a Ford last week at Schofield Barracks, Capt. Charles W. Van Way, Quartermaster Corps, paymaster of the Hawaiian Department, called at the paymaster's office this morning to see how things are getting along.

It looks as though I won't have the complete use of my arm for about two months, he said, "but as I become a Manchurian next month, anyway, I am not worrying much about it."

Capt. Van Way is a cavalry officer but has been in the Quartermaster Corps for the last four years, three at Fort Keogh, Mont., buying horses for the army, and the last year on Oahu as paymaster. The "Manchu Law" provides that after four years on detached service an officer must return to active service. The captain will probably receive orders assigning him to a cavalry regiment.

BIDDERS INVITED TO BUY ARMY ARTICLES AND WHOLESALE JUNK

Junk men, sack dealers, grain buyers and others will have a chance to buy everything from worn-out horse-shoes to barrels, sacks, and scrap iron, August 28, when sealed bids will be opened at 10 a. m. in the office of Lieut. Col. G. G. Bailey, Q. M. C., Schofield Barracks, for purchasing the following miscellaneous articles from that reservation:

12,500 grain sacks, 1000 flour sacks, 1500 coal oil cans (5-gal. size), 50 barrels vinegar (30-gal. size); 25 barrels paint; 3500 lbs. refuse from granary (sweepings from floor of grain rooms); 3500 lbs. horse and mule shoes, worn out; 5000 lbs. scrap iron.

On the sacks, cans and barrels, bidders should name a price on each article, but for granary refuse bids must be by the hundredweight, and on the horse-shoes and scrap iron by the pound. Bids should be addressed to Col. Bailey, marked "Proposals to be opened 10 a. m., August 28, 1916." The successful bidder must remove the articles he is entitled to at the end of each month, to December 31.

GROUP OF U. S. ARMY STOREHOUSES BEING BUILT ON ALLEN ST.

A group of army storehouses is being built on the ground formerly occupied by the U. S. naval station on Allen street. Three of the structures are now erected, and a fourth will be built.

The buildings will be used to house quartermaster supplies, and one of them will be occupied exclusively as a storehouse for signal corps property of the regular army. The present building back of the U. S. immigration station will be vacated soon and used by the immigration authorities as a recreation hall for Oriental immigrants in detention after arrival.

VITAL STATISTICS

MARRIED.

PAPAIA-MAKALENA—In Honolulu, Aug. 16, 1916, Gabriel Papaia, Jr., and Miss Alice Makalena, Rev. Father Victorinus of the Catholic cathedral officiating. Witnesses, Charles Opanui and Mrs. Julia Ramos.

HAN-KONG—In Honolulu, August 15, 1916, Han Sun Pek and Miss Kong Are Chen, Rev. H. S. Hong, pastor of the First Korean Methodist Episcopal church, officiating. Witnesses, Kim Kung Woon and Kong Chi Soen.

AHANA-PEILER—In Wailua, Oahu, Aug. 14, Koon Chong Ahana and Miss Dora Peiler, Rev. John P. Erdman of the Evangelical Association of Hawaii, officiating. Witnesses, Miss Thilie Peiler and Kim Tong Ho.

DIED.

CASTRO—In Wailua, Oahu, August 17, 1916, Alejandro Castro, unmarried, laborer, a native of the Philippines, 23 years old. Funeral today; interment in the Lochview cemetery, Pearl City.

KINJIRU—In the Oahu Insane asylum, Honolulu, August 17, 1916, Sakurai Kinjiru of Kahuku, Oahu, unmarried, laborer, a native of Japan, 41 years old. Buried yesterday in the Kalaepohaku cemetery.

MIKATA — In Honolulu, August 17, 1916, Toko, the infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Shokichi Mikata of Waikiki, a native of this city. Buried yesterday in the Moiliili Japanese cemetery.

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KAIMUKI CRATER URGED AS SITE OPEN THEATER

Kaimuki crater was urged as a site for an outdoor theater proposed by the Outdoor Circle at a meeting of the Kaimuki Improvement Club last night. Park sites for the district were

talked over and discussion on tree planting in the district held. Henry Freitas, the building inspector, was thanked for the work he has done towards cleaning up the Liliuokalani school grounds during vacation, and A. F. Clark appointed a committee of one to request the supervisors to erect a building to be used for janitor's quarters on the grounds as the constant presence of a man is needed there.

Attention was called to the nuisance caused by the drainage from stores at the corner of Koko Head avenue and Waiwae road and Ed Towse, chairman of the sanitation committee, asked to bring this to the attention of the authorities.

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